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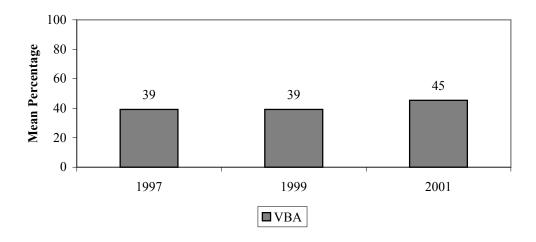
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- **Section B** This section presents a summary of the results for items within each dimension related to organizational and immediate work group experiences. Item results are presented for previous administrations of the survey, if available.
- **Section C** This section presents a summary of the results for items related to personal experiences. Item results are presented for previous administrations of the survey, if available.
- **Section D** This section presents a summary of the results for items related to employee demographics.
- **Appendix** The appendix presents a copy of the 2001 VA Employee Survey Questionnaire.

# Rewards/Recognition

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

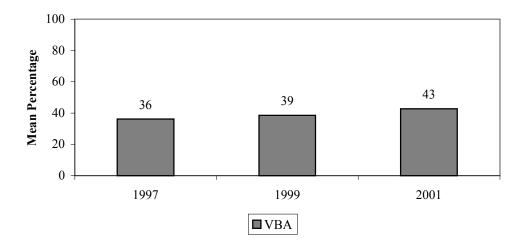


	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001						45%	3.04	1.20	5,525
VBA 1999	13	25	17	36	9	39%	2.87	1.19	4,708
	15	30	16	32	7				ŕ
VBA 1997	16	26	18	30	9	39%	2.90	1.23	8,589

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 1.

# **Training / Career Development**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

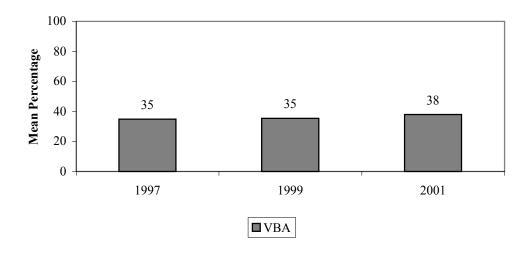


	Strongly Disagree		Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001		2.5	10			43%	2.99	1.17	5,555
VBA 1999	13	25	19	35	8	39%	2.87	1.14	4,736
V DA 1999	14	29	18	33	6	3770	2.07	1.11	1,750
VBA 1997						36%	2.85	1.16	8,608
	15	27	21	29	7				

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 2.

# **Innovation / Change**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

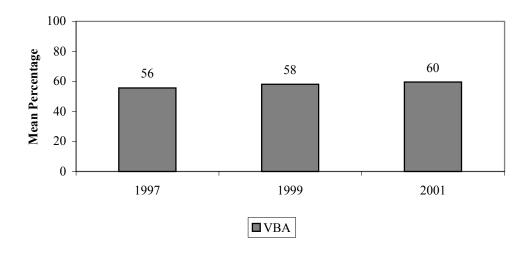


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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	13	26	23	33	5	38%	2.91	1.11	5,676
VBA 1999						35%	2.83	1.13	4,756
VBA 1997	14	29	22	31	4	35%	2.85	1.14	8,620
V DA 1997	15	27	24	29	6	3370	2.00	1.17	3,020

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 3.

# **Customer Orientation**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

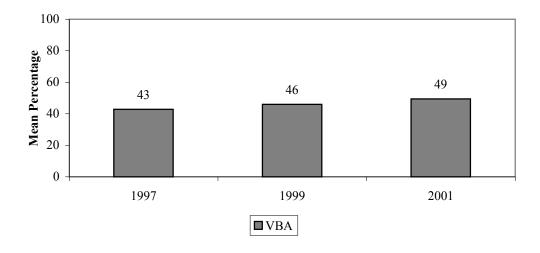


	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	5 16	20		46	13	60%	3.47	0.97	5,528
VBA 1999	5 17	20			10	58%	3.41	0.97	4,621
VBA 1997	5 16	23		48	11	56%	3.40	1.00	8,238

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 4.

# Leadership and Quality

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

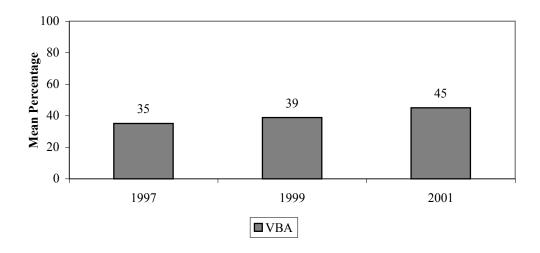


	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	11	20	19	40	10	49%	3.17	1.13	5,681
VBA 1999	12	23	19	39	7	46%	3.06	1.13	4,739
VBA 1997	13	22	22	35	7	43%	3.03	1.14	8,580

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 5.

# **Fairness and Treatment of Employees**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

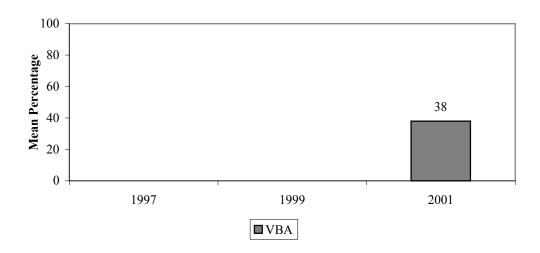


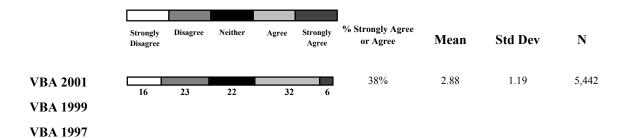
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
<b>VBA 2001</b>	15	20	20	35	10	45%	3.05	1.20	5,283
VBA 1999		20	20	35	10	39%	2.86	1.19	4,626
VBA 1997	17	24	20	33	6	35%	2.77	1.23	8,458
V DA 1997	20	24	21	25	9 7	33/0	2.11	1.23	0,430

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 6.

# **Organizational Politics**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

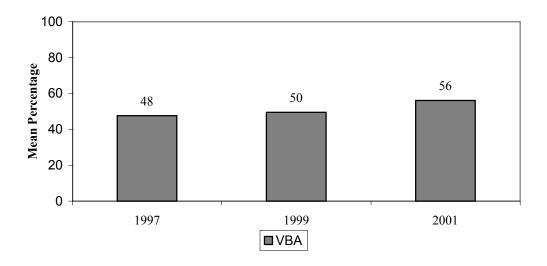


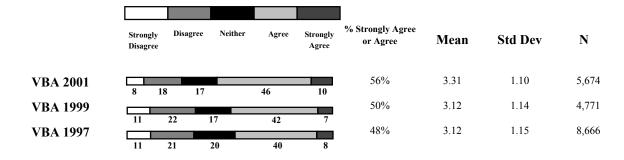


Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 6.

## Communication

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

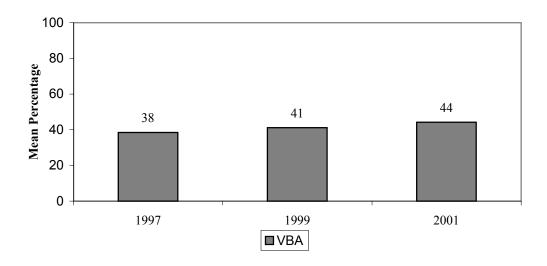




Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 7.

# **Employee Involvement**

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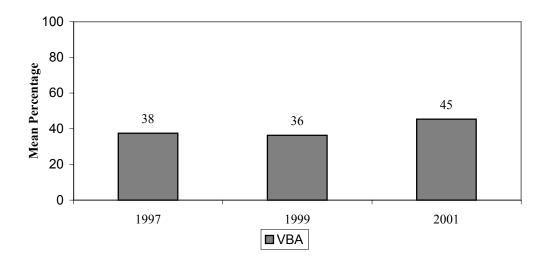


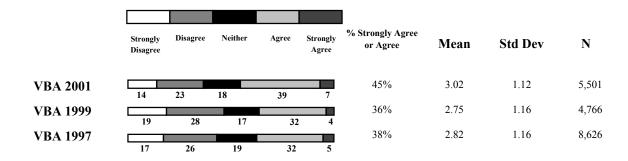
	Strongly Disagree		Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	12	23	21	37	7	44%	3.05	1.13	5,519
VBA 1999	14	25	20	36	5	41%	2.95	1.13	4,753
VBA 1997	14	24	23	32	6	38%	2.93	1.12	8,633

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 8.

## **Use of Resources**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

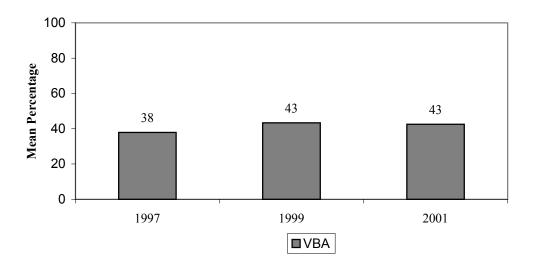




Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 9.

# Work Environment/Quality of Worklife

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

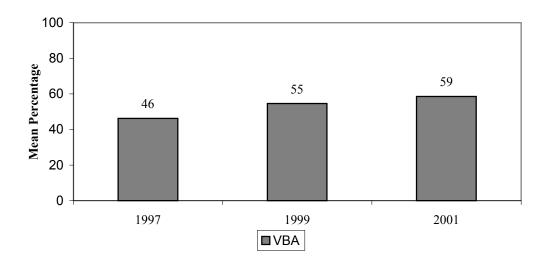


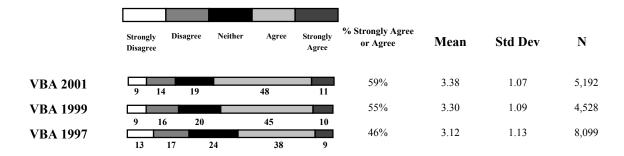
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	17	22	19	36	7	43%	2.94	1.19	5,534
VBA 1999						43%	2.94	1.19	4,783
VBA 1997	17	23	17	36	8	38%	2.82	1.22	8,646
V DA 1771	20	24	18	30	8				-,

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 10.

# Work and Family / Personal Life

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

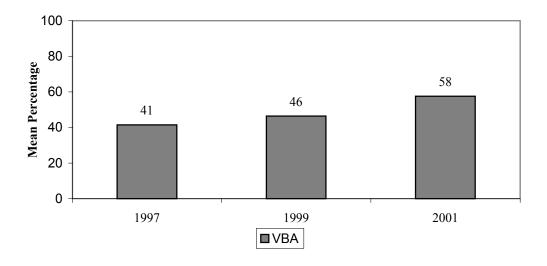




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## **Teamwork**

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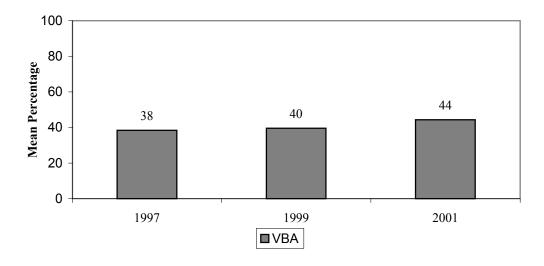


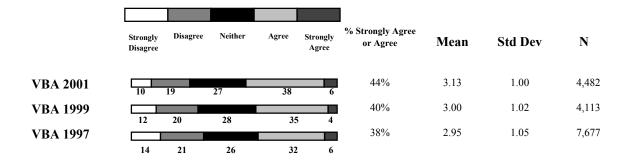
	Strongly Disagree		Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	7	17 18		47	10	58%	3.37	1.06	5,389
VBA 1999	11	22	21	41	5	46%	3.08	1.12	4,649
VBA 1997	12	23	23	36	5	41%	2.99	1.12	8,375

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 11.

# **Job Security / Commitment to Workforce**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

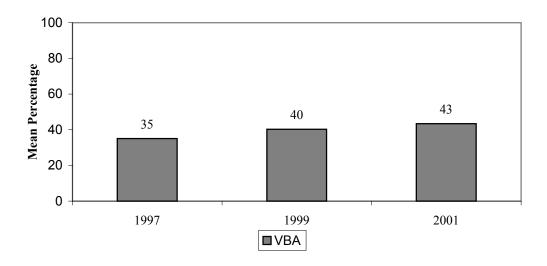


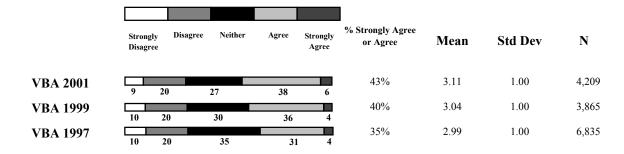


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# **Strategic Planning**

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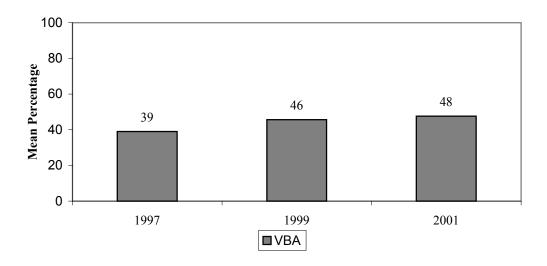


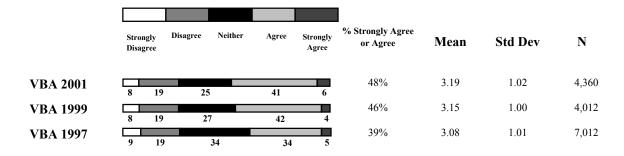


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## **Performance Measures**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

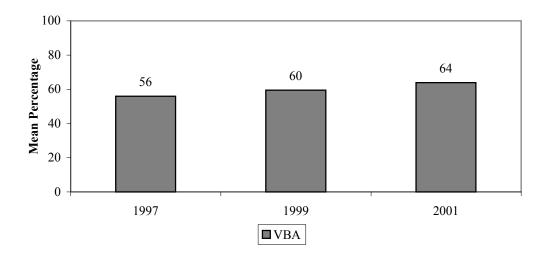




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# **Diversity**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.

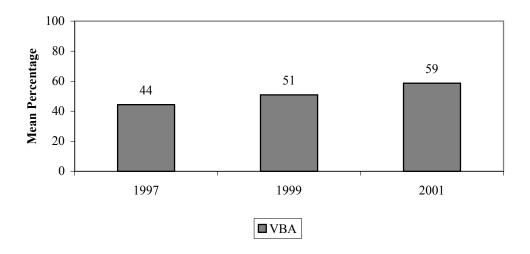


	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	6 10	20	49	9	15	64%	3.56	1.05	4,735
VBA 1999	7 11	22		48	12	60%	3.46	1.05	4,290
VBA 1997	8 12	24		44	12	56%	3.39	1.08	7,904

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 14.

# **Supervision**

Mean percentage of respondents that Strongly Agree or Agree with items in this dimension.



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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
VBA 2001	9 14	18		48	10	59%	3.37	1.10	5,353
VBA 1999	12	19 18	3	44	7	51%	3.15	1.14	4,735
VBA 1997	15	21	20	37	7	44%	3.01	1.16	8,609

Note: For a complete listing of the items that comprise this dimension, and results for individual items, see Section B, page 15.

		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
Rewards/Recognition  1. High performing employees receive	VBA 2001	14	22	12	38	14	52%	3.17	1.30	5,674
monetary rewards (for example, cash awards, bonuses, quality step	VBA 1999	14	26	13	37	11	47%	3.04	1.27	4,689
increases).	VBA 1997	11		2	40	17	56%	3.31	1.28	8,579
2. High performing employees receive	VBA 2001	12	24	16	20		48%	3.10	1.21	5,399
non-monetary rewards (for example, plaques, letters of appreciation,	VBA 1999	12	24	16	39	9	47%	3.04	1.19	4,626
public recognition).	VBA 1997	11	27	16	38	11	49%	3.12	1.23	8,548
3. High performing employees are	VBA 2001						44%	3.06	1.21	5,488
promoted.	VBA 1999	12	24	20	33	10	39%	2.93	1.22	4,660
	VBA 1997	16	28	19	26		36%	2.88	1.25	8,549
4. Pay raises depend on how well	VBA 2001						23%	2.46	1.14	5,563
employees perform their jobs.	VBA 1999	22		38	17	19 4	19%	2.32	1.10	4,711
	VBA 1997	24	ļ	35	18	15 3 17 5	22%	2.40	1.19	8,584
5. Cash awards depend on how well	VBA 2001						43%	2.95	1.23	5,534
employees perform their jobs.	VBA 1999	14	28	15	35	8	37%	2.78	1.22	4,718
	VBA 1997	18	26	16	29		39%	2.86	1.28	8,562
6. Employees are rewarded for	VBA 2001	13	20	21	3:	1 5	37%	2.89	1.17	5,625
providing high quality products and services to customers.	VBA 1999		28	21			33%	2.76	1.16	4,719
	VBA 1997	15	28	20		28 5	31%	2.75	1.20	8,546
86. Supervisors personally recognize the	VBA 2001						61%	3.41	1.14	5,483
contributions of individuals and teams.	VBA 1999		16 14		49	12	50%	3.10	1.19	4,773
	VBA 1997	13	24	19	36	9	45%	3.04	1.21	8,693

	Strongly Disagree Neither Agree Strongly Disagree Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
Rewards/Recognition (cont.)					
87. Supervisors are fair in recognizing <b>VBA</b>		55%	3.27	1.17	5,431
individual and team accomplishments. VBA		43%	2.97	1.20	4,767
VBA	97 13 28 17 36 7	36%	2.83	1.21	8,653
Training/Career Development					
7. Employees receive the training they <b>VBA</b>		50%	3.11	1.25	5,927
need to perform their jobs (for example, on-the-job training, <b>VBA</b>		46%	2.97	1.21	4,833
conferences, workshops). VBA	97 13 28 12 40 6	44%	3.00	1.23	8,792
8. Employees are provided with <b>VBA</b>	01	31%	2.68	1.20	5,735
training that enhances their career advancement opportunities (for VBA	99 18 33 18 25 6	29%	2.60	1.16	4,787
example, through cross training, detail assignments).	97 20 33 20 21 5	26%	2.58	1.18	8,708
9. Education and training programs are <b>VBA</b>	01	32%	2.74	1.16	5,629
developed based on an assessment of employees' training needs.		29%	2.65	1.12	4,670
VBA	97 18 32 23 22 4	26%	2.62	1.14	8,457
10. Employees receive training and VBA	01	44%	3.04	1.16	5,806
guidance in providing high quality customer service.	99 11 25 20 37 7	42%	2.99	1.12	4,784
VBA	97 10 27 21 36 5 10 24 24 34 7	41%	3.03	1.12	8,687
88. Employees receive the everyday VBA	01	65%	3.49	1.11	5,589
guidance and assistance they need to perform their jobs (for example, help <b>VBA</b>	8 14 14 52 13	63%	3.42	1.12	4,829
from supervisors, team leaders, or coworkers).	8     17     13     52     11       8     17     17     46     12	58%	3.37	1.14	8,807
89. Supervisors/team leaders support VBA	01	34%	2.90	1.14	4,641
employee efforts to learn outside the job (for example, membership in VBA	13 25 28 28 7	24%	2.58	1.10	4,512
trade or professional organizations, course work).	18 32 26 20 3	21%	2.52	1.13	8,194

Innovation/Change		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
11. Risk-taking is encouraged without	VBA 2001						21%	2.48	1.11	5,615
fear of punishment for mistakes.	VBA 1999	22	3-		24	17 4	24%	2.55	1.11	4,686
	VBA 1997	23	35	33	23	20 3 16 4	19%	2.43	1.11	8,437
12. Creativity and innovation are	VBA 2001						30%	2.72	1.14	5,598
rewarded.	VBA 1999	17	29		4	26 4	29%	2.70	1.13	4,719
	VBA 1997	16 16	31		23	25 4	28%	2.69	1.13	8,559
13. Managers are receptive to change.	VBA 2001						34%	2.78	1.19	5,714
	VBA 1999	18	26	22		29 5	32%	2.69	1.19	4,716
	VBA 1997	18	27	23		28 4	32%	2.75	1.18	8,578
14. Employees are receptive to change.	VBA 2001						39%	3.01	1.02	5,798
	VBA 1999	6	29	26	3	35 4	37%	2.98	1.04	4,806
	VBA 1997	8	26	26 27	3.	33 4	38%	3.01	1.06	8,687
15. Employees are provided with	VBA 2001						57%	3.29	1.12	5,884
training when new technologies and tools are introduced.	VBA 1999	8 2	20 16		48	8	51%	3.10	1.16	4,822
	VBA 1997	10	20 1	7	45	9	54%	3.24	1.15	8,767
16. New practices and ways of doing	VBA 2001						36%	2.94	1.10	5,737
business are encouraged.	VBA 1999	11	26	27	3	5	39%	2.95	1.12	4,773
	VBA 1997	11	26	24 27	32		39%	3.00	1.12	8,671
90. Supervisors/team leaders are	VBA 2001						49%	3.19	1.11	5,386
receptive to change.	VBA 1999			23	41	7	36%	2.81	1.15	4,769
	VBA 1997	16	27	21		32 4 29 5	35%	2.81	1.18	8,638

	Strongly Disagree Neither Agree Strongly Disagree Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
<b>Customer Orientation</b>					
17. There are service goals aimed at VBA 2001		70%	3.65	0.97	5,714
meeting customer expectations. VBA 1999	4 10 15 57 13 4 11 15 60 11	71%	3.62	0.95	4,723
VBA 1997	4 11 20 53 11	65%	3.57	0.97	8,429
18. Employees have a good VBA 2001		86%	4.08	0.88	5,891
understanding of who their customers are. VBA 1999	25 7 54 32	84%	3.99	0.89	4,820
VBA 1997	2 7 7 59 26 3 7 10 54 26	80%	3.93	0.94	8,679
19. Employees use suggestions from VBA 2001		29%	2.93	0.98	5,193
their customers to improve the quality of products and services. <b>VBA 1999</b>	7 26 37 25 4	35%	3.03	0.99	4,461
VBA 1997	6     24     34     31     4       8     21     38     27     6	33%	3.03	1.02	7,873
20. Products, services, and work VBA 2001		48%	3.17	1.09	5,736
processes are designed to meet customer needs and expectations. VBA 1999	8 23 22 41 7	48%	3.16	1.08	4,750
VBA 1997	8     22     22     42     6       7     19     26     41     8	48%	3.24	1.05	8,518
21. Customers are informed about the VBA 2001	3 11 17 56 14	70%	3.67	0.94	5,536
process for seeking assistance, commenting, and/or complaining VBA 1999		65%	3.53	0.97	4,606
about products and services. VBA 1997	4     14     17     55     10       4     13     21     51     11	62%	3.52	0.98	8,141
22. Customers have access to VBA 2001		79%	3.86	0.83	5,558
information about products and services. VBA 1999	1 7 13 61 17	70%	3.66	0.88	4,615
VBA 1997	2 10 18 60 11 3 10 20 55 11	67%	3.62	0.92	8,208
23. There are well-defined systems for linking customer feedback and	9 30 26 30 6	36%	2.94	1.08	5,069
complaints to employees who can VBA 1999	9 32 26 30 4	34%	2.88	1.06	4,370
act on this information. VBA 1997	10 28 26 28 6	35%	2.92	1.11	7,818

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Leadership and Quality					
	2001	61%	3.45	1.11	5,844
organization's mission, vision, and values. <b>VB</b> A	1999	59%	3.34	1.12	4,802
VBA	9 16 16 50 1997	9 53%	3.26	1.15	8,696
	2001	48%	3.10	1.23	5,744
important in their day-to-day activities (for example, hold <b>VB</b> A	1999	46%	3.02	1.22	4,760
1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1' 1	1997 14 25 16 38 14 24 19 35	8 43%	3.01	1.21	8,653
	2001	55%	3.30	1.15	5,847
their work contributes to the organization's mission and goals.	1999	48%	3.10	1.18	4,813
· ·	1997 12 24 21 36	8 7	3.01	1.17	8,712
	2001	34%	2.80	1.18	5,698
resources (for example, time, training, dollars) to promote VBA	1999 15 30 21 28	31%	2.67	1.17	4,753
	1997 18 32 19 27	27%	2.62	1.16	8,585
	2001	31%	2.80	1.12	5,151
suggestions for improvements in products, services, and work VBA	1999	31%	2.77	1.12	4,517
	1997 15 27 27 27 15 25 30 26	31%	2.82	1.12	8,174
	2001	42%	2.96	1.18	5,695
attainable performance goals. $VBA$	1999	39%	2.91	1.16	4,739
VBA	1997 <u>14 25 23 34</u> 14 24 25 32	5 37%	2.91	1.15	8,572
	2001	75%	3.77	0.92	5,789
the organization's mission, vision, and values. <b>VB</b> A	1999	69%	3.60	0.98	4,792
	1997 5 11 15 58 4 11 19 53	11 66%	3.58	1.00	8,667

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Fairness and Treatment of Emplo	yees						Ü			
31. Disciplinary actions are applied	VBA 2001						32%	2.75	1.24	4,847
fairly to employees.	VBA 1999	21	23	24		25 7	35%	2.80	1.20	4,411
	VBA 1997	23	25	22		25 6	31%	2.69	1.24	8,123
32. Training and career development	VBA 2001						31%	2.71	1.20	5,333
opportunities for employees are allocated fairly (for example, courses	VBA 1999	20	27	22		26 5	28%	2.59	1.17	4,684
and job assignments).	VBA 1997	21	2		21	26 3	27%	2.56	1.18	8,532
33. Disputes or conflicts (for example,	VBA 2001						36%	2.92	1.16	4,823
between co-workers, management and employees) are resolved fairly.	VBA 1999	15	19	29		30 6	36%	2.91	1.11	4,394
	VBA 1997	16	20	30		32 4 27 5	32%	2.83	1.15	8,126
34. Advancement opportunities are	VBA 2001						55%	3.26	1.33	5,625
available for qualified individuals, regardless of gender, race, national	VBA 1999	16	15 1	4	39	17	42%	2.89	1.34	4,677
origin, religion, age, cultural background, sexual orientation, or disability.	VBA 1997	22	21	16 2 16	2	26 10	36%	2.71	1.36	8,524
91. People treat each other with respect.	VBA 2001						68%	3.60	1.05	5,601
	VBA 1999	5 12	14	53		15	57%	3.29	1.12	4,840
	VBA 1997	12	19	18	49	9	51%	3.16	1.20	8,788
92. The distribution of work among	VBA 2001						47%	3.04	1.23	5,470
employees is fair.	VBA 1999	14	24	15	39	8	35%	2.70	1.21	4,748
	VBA 1997	20	29	16		29 5	34%	2.68	1.24	8,656
Organizational Politics										
35. Organizational changes serve the	VBA 2001						46%	3.11	1.16	5,442
purpose of the whole work unit or facility, not just a few individuals.	VBA 1999	11	21	22	38	8				
-activity, not just a few mannadalls.	VBA 1997									

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<b>Organizational Politics (cont.)</b>										
36. Managers consider good ideas, even if different from their own.	VBA 2001	13	21	25	35	6	41%	2.99	1.15	5,334
is different from their own.	VBA 1999									
	VBA 1997									
37. Promotions are awarded on the basis	VBA 2001						32%	2.69	1.26	5,381
of policy and merit, not "who you know."	VBA 1999	23	24	21	2	25 7				
	VBA 1997									
38. Employees are encouraged to speak	VBA 2001						33%	2.74	1.20	5,612
out frankly, even when disagreeing with superiors.	VBA 1999	19	27	21	2	28 5				
The supplies.	VBA 1997									
Communication										
39. Employees are kept informed on	VBA 2001						53%	3.19	1.20	5,794
issues affecting their jobs.	VBA 1999	11		15	43	10	48%	3.04	1.20	4,812
	VBA 1997	13	25	17	37	7	45%	3.00	1.22	8,760
40. Employees share their knowledge	VBA 2001						75%	3.77	0.99	5,796
with each other.	VBA 1999	4 10		56		19	66%	3.54	1.04	4,818
	VBA 1997	5 15 6 14	18		50	12	63%	3.50	1.06	8,748
41. Managers communicate the goals	VBA 2001						68%	3.59	0.99	5,778
and priorities of the organization.	VBA 1999	5 11	16	5	6	12	58%	3.34	1.09	4,818
	VBA 1997	8 1'			50 46	8	54%	3.29	1.08	8,713
42. Managers promote communication	VBA 2001	10	25	23	36	6	42%	3.04	1.12	5,471
among different work units (for example, about projects, goals,	VBA 1999						38%	2.91	1.14	4,706
needed resources).	VBA 1997	13	28	25	33	0 5	35%	2.88	1.13	8,502

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Co	mmunication (cont.)										
43.	Managers keep employees informed	VBA 2001	10	10	16	45		55%	3.25	1.16	5,697
	about the organization's conditions and operations, as well as the	VBA 1999	10		16	45	9	49%	3.08	1.20	4,780
	choices it faces (for example, budget cuts, downsizing, reorganizations).	VBA 1997	13	22	16	42	9	52%	3.18	1.21	8,736
44.	There is communication among	VBA 2001						44%	3.02	1.15	5,507
	various levels of the organization.	VBA 1999	11	25	20	38	6	37%	2.84	1.16	4,691
		VBA 1997	15	28	20	3	1 5	37%	2.85	1.18	8,538
Em	ployee Involvement										
45.	Employees are involved in	VBA 2001		22	22	40		46%	3.12	1.11	5,599
	services, and work processes.	VBA 1999	9	22	22	40	6	48%	3.12	1.10	4,752
		VBA 1997	8	19	20	41	7	48%	3.19	1.08	8,624
46.	Employees have a feeling of	VBA 2001						30%	2.67	1.16	5,624
	personal empowerment and ownership of work processes.	VBA 1999	18	31		21	25 4	28%	2.60	1.14	4,736
		VBA 1997	19	3		23	25 3	25%	2.58	1.14	8,595
47.	Managers provide an environment	VBA 2001				•	-	43%	3.00	1.18	5,718
	that supports employee involvement, contributions, and teamwork.	VBA 1999	14	21	22	36	7	37%	2.83	1.19	4,797
	,	VBA 1997	17	25	21	3	28 5	33%	2.79	1.17	8,703
94.	Employees are held accountable for	VBA 2001						65%	3.53	1.04	5,468
	achieving positive results.	VBA 1999	5 14			52	12	62%	3.48	1.05	4,773
		VBA 1997	6 14			48	10	58%	3.42	1.05	8,631
95.	Supervisors/team leaders provide	VBA 2001						44%	3.10	1.10	5,344
	employees with the opportunity to demonstrate their leadership skills.	VBA 1999	10	21	26	37	6	36%	2.88	1.11	4,719
		VBA 1997	13	26	25		33 4	35%	2.88	1.11	8,603

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<b>Employee Involvement (cont.)</b>			
96. Supervisors/team leaders ask for employee ideas and opinions before	VBA 2001	16 26 19 32 6 38% 2.86 1.21	5,363
making important work decisions.	VBA 1999	18 28 19 31 5 36% 2.77 1.19	4,739
	VBA 1997	19 29 20 26 5 31% 2.69 1.20	8,644
Use of Resources			
49. The workforce has the job-relevant	VBA 2001	59% 3.39 1.05	5,657
knowledge and skills necessary to accomplish organizational goals.	VBA 1999	6 18 18 50 9 10 22 17 46 6	4,790
	VBA 1997	7 17 21 48 8 55% 3.33 1.05	8,654
rules/regulations <b>do not</b> interfere with the completion of work in a	VBA 2001	21% 2.34 1.13	5,590
	VBA 1999	26 37 16 18 3 23% 2.44 1.12	4,763
	VBA 1997	23 35 19 22 2 23 33 20 21 3 24% 2.48 1.15	8,611
51. An effort is made to minimize the number of management levels (i.e.,	VBA 2001	15 24 28 29 4 33% 2.82 1.12	5,021
organizational hierarchy).	VBA 1999	16 20 24 36 5 16 20 24 36 5	4,534
	VBA 1997	16 21 26 32 6 38% 2.92 1.18	8,177
93. Employees provide high quality	VBA 2001	68% 3.65 0.93	5,533
products and services.	VBA 1999	3 10 20 54 13 28% 2.46 1.19	4,808
	VBA 1997	25 33 14 25 3 29% 2.56 1.20 23 31 17 26 4	8,718
97. The amount of work is reasonable.	VBA 2001	41% 2.80 1.26	5,546
	VBA 1999	21 24 14 36 5 28% 2.46 1.19	4,808
	VBA 1997	25 33 14 25 3 23 31 17 26 4 29% 2.56 1.20	8,718
98. Interruptions are kept to a minimum	VBA 2001	35% 2.73 1.19	5,562
to allow employees to finish their work on time.	VBA 1999	18 29 18 31 4 30% 2.61 1.15	4,823
	VBA 1997	20     32     19     27     2       18     30     20     28     4   32% 2.70 1.16	8,727

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Use of Resources (cont.)			
99. Employees have the appropriate	VBA 2001	9 17 13 51 11 62% 3.37 1.16	5,598
supplies, materials, and equipment to perform their jobs well.	VBA 1999	54% 3.16 1.19	4,838
	VBA 1997	12 21 13 47 7 11 20 15 45 9 54% 3.21 1.19	8,776
Work Environment/Quality of W	orklife		
52. Programs that encourage good	VBA 2001	30% 2.56 1.26	5,529
health practices are supported (for example, fitness centers, health	VBA 1999	26 27 17 24 6 36% 2.76 1.25	4,758
education programs).	VBA 1997	20 25 18 29 7 25 25 17 25 8 33% 2.66 1.30	8,568
53. Employees are protected from health	VBA 2001	56% 3.31 1.12	5,630
and safety hazards on the job.	VBA 1999	9 15 20 47 9 60% 3.38 1.10	4,781
	VBA 1997	8     15     17     51     9       11     17     21     42     9   51% 3.23 1.15	8,646
100. Physical conditions (for example,	VBA 2001	53% 3.17 1.22	2 5,607
noise level, temperature, lighting, cleanliness) allow employees to	VBA 1999	12 21 14 44 9 55% 3.18 1.27	4,844
perform their jobs well.	VBA 1997	14     21     11     44     11       16     23     14     37     11	8,773
101. Supervisors/team leaders take steps	VBA 2001	31% 2.72 1.16	5,369
to minimize work-related stress.	VBA 1999	18 27 23 27 4 23% 2.45 1.14	4,748
	VBA 1997	24     32     21     20     3       27     33     20     16     3	8,597
Work and Family/Personal Life			
54. Programs that help employees deal	VBA 2001	19 29 19 28 4 33% 2.70 1.19	5,252
with work and family responsibilities are provided (for	VBA 1999	32% 2.71 1.17	4,559
example, support groups, stress management courses, lectures).	VBA 1997	18 30 20 29 4 24 31 20 22 4  26% 2.52 1.18	8,312
55. Family-related benefits are available	VBA 2001	68% 3.58 1.04	5,376
to employees (for example, parental leave policies, childcare, eldercare).	VBA 1999	6 11 14 56 13 63% 3.45 1.10	4,588
icave policies, cillideare, eidereare).	VBA 1997	7     14     16     51     11       9     16     18     45     12   58% 3.37 1.14	

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Work and Family/Personal Life (	cont.)		
56. Employees are given the opportunity	VBA 2001	11 12 10 50 17 67% 3.50 1	.23 5,608
to work at home or on flexible work schedules, when the job permits (for	VBA 1999		.23 4,746
example, Flexitime, Part-time, Flexiplace).	VBA 1997		.35 8,477
57. Employees who take advantage of	VBA 2001	7 14 30 40 9 49% 3.31 1	.04 4,505
family/personal life policies and benefits do not hurt their career	VBA 1999		.06 4,117
opportunities.	VBA 1997		.07 7,202
102. Supervisors/team leaders understand	VBA 2001		.09 5,354
and support employees' family/personal life responsibilities.	VBA 1999		.08 4,640
Talling, personal interespondentials.	VBA 1997	8     13     22     47     10       10     15     26     40     9	.12 8,272
103. Employees balance their work and	VBA 2001	69% 3.66 0	5,054
family/personal life responsibilities.	VBA 1999	2 8 21 60 9 63% 3.56 0	0.89 4,518
	VBA 1997	3 9 25 55 8 4 10 31 48 8	9.91 8,011
Teamwork			
58. Different work units cooperate to get	VBA 2001		.03 5,537
the job done.	VBA 1999	5 17 19 50 8 10 21 20 44 5	.10 4,753
	VBA 1997		.11 8,621
59. Teams are used to accomplish	VBA 2001	4 10 17 59 10 69% 3.60 0	5,536
organizational goals, when appropriate.	VBA 1999		.02 4,667
	VBA 1997		.04 8,387
60. Employees are rewarded for working	VBA 2001		.14 5,284
together in teams (for example, performance ratings, cash awards,	VBA 1999	<u> </u>	.19 4,575
performance ratings, cash awards, certificates, public recognition).	VBA 1997	15 23 21 35 6 17 28 24 26 5	.17 8,082

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Teamwork (cont.)							
	BA 2001			38%	2.96	1.08	5,013
participate in cross-functional teams to accomplish work objectives.	BA 1999	28 25	33 5	36%	2.88	1.09	4,420
•	BA 1997	29 24	32 3	32%	2.81	1.10	8,045
	13	28 26	28 4				
104. A spirit of cooperation and <b>V</b>	BA 2001 □□□			72%	3.71	1.10	5,574
teamwork exists in my immediate	BA 1999	12 50	22	47%	3.08	1.17	4,830
work unit.	BA 1997	23 18	41 7	45%	3.03	1.18	8,739
	13	24 19	38 7				
Job Security/Commitment to Workfo	orce .						
·	BA 2001			21%	2.73	1.04	3,200
with downsizing are effective (for example, career counseling, aid in	BA 1999 □	22 42	17 4	18%	2.62	1.03	3,418
finding now jobs)	BA 1997 □	24	40 16 3	16%	2.47	1.08	6,327
·	23	26	35 12 3				,
65. There are strategies to protect job <b>V</b>	BA 2001 □■■			71%	3.66	0.87	4,980
security (for example, early	BA 1999 □□□	19 6	9	61%	3.44	0.96	4,342
tetricinents and buyouts, workforce	BA 1997	24	55 5	63%	3.50	0.98	8,196
	6 9	22	54 8				
	BA 2001			45%	3.16	1.06	4,494
changes that affect employment (for example, downsizing, transfers,	BA 1999	18 28	40 6	42%	3.04	1.09	4,211
	BA 1997 🗔	20 27	38 4	40%	2.96	1.14	8,093
	13	22 25	34 5				
	TBA 2001			24%	2.56	1.12	4,940
guidance to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to perform other	BA 1999 ====	36	22 20 4	19%	2.43	1.06	4,314
1.1	BA 1997	37	23 17 2	17%	2.34	1.08	7,948
	25	36	22 14 3				
	TBA 2001			60%	3.52	0.92	4,794
retrained and moved to other positions in the organization.	BA 1999 □ □ □	26	51 9	57%	3.44	0.95	4,282
•	BA 1997 4 12	27	49 8	57%	3.48	0.97	7,822
	4 11	27	46 11				

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Strategic Pl	anning										
69. Information	Information about the external environment (for example, political or economic factors) is used in the strategic planning process.	VBA 2001						37%	3.11	0.97	3,415
or econom		VBA 1999	7 17 8 13		39 42		30 3	34%	3.05	0.96	3,378
strategic p		VBA 1997	8 10		45		26 5	30%	3.03	0.97	5,889
	There is an established, formal process for developing goals and updating plans periodically.	VBA 2001	8 2	20	28	39	5	44%	3.14	1.04	4,017
		VBA 1999						42%	3.10	1.02	3,727
		VBA 1997		20	36	38	33 4	36%	3.04	1.00	6,607
	Employees participate in the development of strategic/operational plans.	VBA 2001					10	21%	2.49	1.05	4,762
plans.		VBA 1999	17	4(		22	18 2	21%	2.47	1.05	4,316
•		VBA 1997	19	36		21 25	17 3	20%	2.48	1.06	7,706
72. Short- and	ort- and long-term quality provement goals are established d integrated into the organization's erall strategic planning and dgeting processes.	VBA 2001						43%	3.11	1.06	4,135
		VBA 1999		19	29	39		41%	3.06	1.03	3,886
overall str		VBA 1997		19	36	38	32 4	36%	3.01	1.02	6,919
-	Managers review and evaluate the organization's progress toward neeting its goals and objectives.	VBA 2001		10				72%	3.69	0.89	4,714
		VBA 1999		18	61		11	63%	3.54	0.93	4,019
5		VBA 1997	5 8 6 10	31		46	7	53%	3.39	0.96	7,052
Performano	e Measures										
	Outcome/result measures are used to assess the overall performance of the organization (for example, rates, trends, and current quality levels; meeting program objectives).	VBA 2001		21				66%	3.59	0.92	4,676
		VBA 1999	4 9	21		57	9	62%	3.49	0.93	4,117
trends, and		VBA 1997	5 10 5 10	32		47	6	53%	3.38	0.94	7,121
	y of products and services	VBA 2001		10	28	38	7	45%	3.17	1.06	4,022
	provided to customers is compared to the quality of products and services of other organizations that are recognized as successful.	VBA 1999					7	44%	3.13	1.03	3,853
services o		VBA 1997		18	28 35	33	3 5	38%	3.08	1.03	6,744

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Performance Measures (cont.)					
77. Assessments of the quality of VBA 200		53%	3.29	1.03	4,290
systems, work processes, and products/services are performed at VBA 1999	7 17 26 46 4	50%	3.24	1.00	3,945
regular intervals across the organization. VBA 199		41%	3.12	1.00	6,867
78. Quality assurance systems focus on <b>VBA 200</b>		29%	2.74	1.09	4,669
the prevention of problems rather than on the correction of problems. <b>VBA 199</b> :		31%	2.78	1.08	4,239
VBA 199	13     29     27     27     3       7     14     27     32     23     4	27%	2.76	1.07	7,319
79. Information collected from VBA 200		45%	3.17	1.01	4,145
customers is integrated with other key data and used to improve the VBA 1999	7 20 29 40 5	41%	3.12	0.97	3,908
quality of products and services. VBA 199	7 8 20 36 32 4	36%	3.04	1.00	7,011
Diversity					
80. Differences among individuals (for VBA 200		66%	3.57	1.06	5,508
example, gender, race, national origin, religion, age, cultural VBA 199		58%	3.37	1.10	4,725
background, sexual orientation, disability) are respected and valued.	7 10 16 22 42 9	52%	3.25	1.14	8,572
81. Reasonable accommodations are VBA 200		79%	3.84	0.95	5,298
made for persons with disabilities (for example, availability of sign VBA 199)	4 7 10 59 20	78%	3.81	0.92	4,633
language interpreters, ramps, Braille).  VBA 199	4     7     12     61     17       4     7     13     57     18	75%	3.78	0.97	8,417
82. Policies and programs promote VBA 200		65%	3.56	1.04	5,184
diversity in the workplace (for example, recruiting minorities and VBA 199)	6 11 18 52 13	60%	3.47	1.06	4,542
women, training in awareness of diversity issues, mentoring).	7 11 22 49 11 7 12 22 47 12	59%	3.45	1.08	8,283
83. Managers/supervisors deal VBA 200		59%	3.54	1.06	3,550
effectively with reports of sexual	6 9 26 43 16	55%	3.44	1.04	3,624
harassment. VBA 1999 VBA 1999	7 10 29 42 12	52%	3.38	1.07	6,828

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Diversity (cont.)						
84. Managers/supervisors deal	VBA 2001		51%	3.33	1.16	3,618
effectively with reports of prejudice and discrimination.	VBA 1999	10 13 26 38 14	46%	3.20	1.15	3,661
	VBA 1997	11     14     28     36     11       12     15     29     33     10	43%	3.14	1.17	7,000
85. Managers/supervisors/team leaders	VBA 2001		63%	3.53	1.03	5,250
work well with employees of different backgrounds.	VBA 1999	6 10 20 51 12	60%	3.45	1.06	4,557
, and the second	VBA 1997	7     10     22     50     10       8     13     25     45     10	55%	3.36	1.07	8,321
Supervision						
105. Supervisors provide fair and	VBA 2001		56%	3.34	1.14	4,937
accurate ratings of employee performance.	VBA 1999	10 14 20 46 11	46%	3.06	1.17	4,663
•	VBA 1997	13 21 20 40 6 19 25 21 29 6	35%	2.79	1.22	8,464
106. Supervisors/team leaders provide	VBA 2001		52%	3.27	1.09	5,366
employees with constructive suggestions to improve their job	VBA 1999	8 17 22 44 8	47%	3.08	1.13	4,709
performance.	VBA 1997	11     22     20     41     6       13     24     23     34     5	39%	2.94	1.15	8,581
107. Supervisors/team leaders	VBA 2001		71%	3.61	0.99	5,525
communicate what is expected of employees in terms of job	VBA 1999	5 10 14 60 11	64%	3.42	1.05	4,798
employees in terms of job performance (for example, task responsibilities, performance standards).	VBA 1997	8     13     16     56     7       8     15     17     52     8	60%	3.38	1.08	8,696
108. There is trust between employees	VBA 2001		46%	3.06	1.24	5,432
and their supervisors/team leaders.	VBA 1999	15 20 19 36 10	35%	2.76	1.25	4,729
	VBA 1997	21     24     20     29     6       24     26     21     24     5	29%	2.61	1.23	8,627
109. Employees receive help from their	VBA 2001		68%	3.58	1.04	5,507
supervisors/team leaders when there are work-related problems.	VBA 1999	6 10 16 55 13	62%	3.41	1.09	4,774
	VBA 1997	9 13 16 53 9 9 14 19 48 10 B - 15	58%	3.36	1.12	8,677
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62. Employees are familiar with the full range of benefits and services provided to veterans by VA (for example, compensation, guaranteed home loans, health care, insurance, and burial).	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	8	24	16	43	9	52%	3.21	1.13	5,479
63. Employees in different VA offices and facilities (for example, VACO, medical centers, regional offices, cemeteries) work together to provide better service to veterans.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	10	20	23	41	6	47%	3.13	1.11	5,207
74. Employees have an understanding of VA's mission and strategic goals as stated in the VA Strategic Plan.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	3 12	21		55	9	64%	3.55	0.93	5,220

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		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree	% Strongly Agree or Agree	Mean	Std Dev	N
48. Sufficient effort is made to g		17	31	21		26 5	31%	2.72	1.16	5,625
opinions and thinking of peo who work here.	VBA 1999						36%	2.82	1.20	4,856
	VBA 1997	17	27	21		28 6	34%	2.82	1.17	8,781
110. The people I work with coop	perate to VBA 2001						80%	3.85	0.92	5,601
get the job done.	VBA 1999	3 7 10		56		19	75%	3.74	1.02	4,855
	VBA 1997		11	55		19	74%	3.72	1.03	8,750
111. I am given a real opportunity to	y to <b>VBA 2001</b>						47%	3.17	1.14	5,606
improve my skills in my organization.	VBA 1999	10	24	20	38	8	42%	3.00	1.20	4,854
	VBA 1997	12	25	22	32		40%	2.98	1.18	8,778
112. I have enough information to	o do my <b>VBA 2001</b>	5 16	14		54	11	65%	3.50	1.04	5,597
job well.	VBA 1999	5 17			52	11	64%	3.47	1.07	4,854
	VBA 1997	5 17	17		52	9	61%	3.43	1.04	8,787
113. I feel encouraged to come up		12	23	23	33	9	42%	3.05	1.19	5,610
new and better ways of doin things.	VBA 1999			20			44%	3.04	1.24	4,858
	VBA 1997	12	22	22	33	9	42%	3.03	1.19	8,787
114. At the place I work, my opin	nions VBA 2001	12	20	22	25		44%	3.07	1.19	5,609
seem to matter.	VBA 1999	13	20	23	36	9				
	VBA 1997									

115. Conditions in my job allow me to be about as productive as I can be.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	Strongly Disagree         Disagree         Neither         Agree         Strongly Agree           11         25         16         41         7           14         27         15         36         8           12         28         17         36         7	% Strongly Agree or Agree 49% 45% 43%	Mean 3.10 2.98 2.98	Std Dev 1.18 1.23 1.18	N 5,603 4,855 8,782
116. My job makes good use of my skills and abilities.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	10     16     15     48     12       13     19     14     42     11       13     20     16     42     10	59% 53% 52%	3.36 3.19 3.16	1.17 1.24 1.22	5,605 4,857 8,780
117. The amount of stress created by my job is reasonable.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	15 24 16 41 5	46%	2.97	1.20	5,604
118. My work gives me a feeling of personal accomplishment.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	8     11     14     48     19       11     13     16     44     17       9     14     17     44     16	67% 61% 60%	3.59 3.44 3.44	1.15 1.22 1.19	5,600 4,857 8,782
119. The amount of work I am expected to do is reasonable.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	14 21 14 43 7	50%	3.07	1.22	5,608
120. I like the kind of work I do.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	3 5 12     48     32       5 7 14     47     27       6 7 15     47     25	80% 74% 72%	4.00 3.83 3.78	0.97 1.07 1.07	5,606 4,857 8,783

121. My supervisor sees me as a person, not just an employee.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	Strongly Disagree Neither Agree Strongly Agree or Agree or Agree of Std Agree of Agree of Agree or Agree of Agr	<b>N</b> 5,596
122. I have friends at work.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	86% 4.06 0.75 13 10 62 25	5,597
123. I feel recognized for my contributions.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	10 18 23 39 11 49% 3.22 1.15	5,601
124. I feel that I am part of something larger than my own efforts.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	5 10 16 52 17 69% 3.67 1.02	5,583
125. I often feel tense and stressed on my job.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	33% 2.78 1.18 15 33 20 26 7	5,603
126. Work is a source of a great deal of stress.	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	13 28 22 29 8 37% 2.90 1.18	5,602

127.	Overall, how good a job do you feel is being done by your immediate	VBA 2001	Very Poor Poor  6 8 23	Fair 36	Good	Very Good	% Very Good or Good 63%	<b>Mean</b> 3.68	Std Dev 1.14	5,569
	supervisor/team leader?	VBA 1999 VBA 1997	8 9 25 9 11 28	35	35	23	58% 52%	3.56 3.41	1.16	4,843 8,783
128.	How would you rate the overall quality of work done in your work	VBA 2001	13 18	48		30	78%	4.03	0.82	5,581
	group?	VBA 1999	23 21	47		27	74%	3.95	0.86	4,851
		VBA 1997	14 21	50		24	74%	3.92	0.84	8,780
129.	Overall, how would you rate the	VBA 2001	3 6 22	43		26	70%	3.85	0.96	5,581
	quality of service provided to veterans by your facility or office?	VBA 1999	2 6 24	43		25	67%	3.81	0.95	4,838
		VBA 1997	2 5 22	46		24	71%	3.86	0.90	8,773
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			Very Dissatisfied	d Neither	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	% Very Satisfied or	3.6	Std	N
130.	How satisfied are you with your	VBA 2001		d Neither	Satisfied		•	<b>Mean</b> 3.14	<b>Std Dev</b> 1.12	<b>N</b> 5,595
130.	How satisfied are you with your influence on decisions that affect your work?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999	Dissatisifed  10 18	29	33	Satisfied  9	Satisfied or Satisfied		Dev	
130.	influence on decisions that affect		Dissatisifed		33	Satisfied  9	Satisfied or Satisfied 43%	3.14	<b>Dev</b> 1.12	5,595
	influence on decisions that affect your work?  How satisfied are you with your	VBA 1999	Dissatisifed  10 18  12 26  13 26	29 27 28	22	9 9 6 7 5	Satisfied or Satisfied 43% 35%	3.14 2.91	<b>Dev</b> 1.12 1.13	5,595 4,846
	influence on decisions that affect your work?	VBA 1999 VBA 1997	Dissatisifed  10 18  12 26  13 26	29	33	Satisfied  9  0 6	Satisfied or Satisfied 43% 35% 33%	3.14 2.91 2.87	Dev 1.12 1.13 1.12	5,595 4,846 8,717
	influence on decisions that affect your work?  How satisfied are you with your	VBA 1999 VBA 1997 VBA 2001	Dissatisifed  10 18  12 26  13 26  10 20 1	29 27 28	33	9 6 7 5	Satisfied or Satisfied 43% 35% 33%	3.14 2.91 2.87 3.24	Dev 1.12 1.13 1.12	5,595 4,846 8,717 5,589
131.	influence on decisions that affect your work?  How satisfied are you with your pay?  How satisfied are you with your	VBA 1999 VBA 1997 VBA 2001 VBA 1999	Dissatisifed  10 18  12 26  13 26  10 20 1  9 26  12 28	29 27 28 6 22 23	33 2: 24 44 37 32	9 0 6 10 6	Satisfied or Satisfied 43% 35% 33% 54% 43%	3.14 2.91 2.87 3.24 3.06	Dev 1.12 1.13 1.12 1.17 1.11	5,595 4,846 8,717 5,589 4,845
131.	influence on decisions that affect your work?  How satisfied are you with your pay?	VBA 1999 VBA 1997 VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	Dissatisifed  10 18  12 26  13 26  10 20 1  9 26	29 27 28 6	33 22 44 37 32 30	9 0 6 10 6	Satisfied or Satisfied 43% 35% 33% 54% 43% 37%	3.14 2.91 2.87 3.24 3.06 2.91	Dev 1.12 1.13 1.12 1.17 1.11 1.14	5,595 4,846 8,717 5,589 4,845 8,725

## **Part III - Personal Experiences**

133. How satisfied are you with the	VBA 2001	Very Dissatisfied Neither Satisfied Very Satisfied Satisfied  12 20 21 37 9	ed or fied Mean	<b>Std Dev N</b> 1.20 5,592
training you received for your present job?	VBA 1999 VBA 1997	13 24 22 36 6 12 22 26 34 6		1.16 4,849 1.13 8,729
134. How satisfied are you with your physical working conditions?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	8 16 16 47 13 8 16 15 47 14 9 16 21 44 11	% 3.43	1.13 5,588 1.14 4,849 1.14 8,724
135. Considering everything, how satisfied are you with your job?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	5 11 18 49 18 5 16 19 48 11 6 17 24 44 10	% 3.45	1.04 5,587 1.05 4,844 1.04 8,733
136. Considering everything, how would you rate your overall satisfaction in the organization at the present time?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	8 18 21 42 10 8 21 23 41 7 9 22 26 37 6	% 3.19	1.13     5,593       1.10     4,844       1.08     8,719
137. How satisfied do you think your organization's customers are with the products and services it provides?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999 VBA 1997	7 22 22 44 6 6 22 23 44 5 5 18 28 43 6	% 3.20	1.06       5,572         1.02       4,843         0.98       8,721
138. How likely are you to leave your current work unit for another Federal job within the next 2 years?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999	Very Somewhat Neither Somewhat Very Unlikely Unlikely Unlikely Unlikely 13 16 13 16 43	ely or what kely <b>Mean</b>	<b>Std Dev N</b> 1.47 5,587

**VBA 1997** 

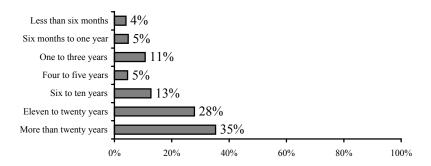
		Very Likely	Somewh Likely			omewhat Unlikely	Very Unlikely	% Very Unlikely or Somewhat Unlikely	Mean	Std Dev	N
139. How likely are you to take a job outside the Federal government	VBA 2001	7 11	11	15		57		71%	4.03	1.33	5,582
within the next 2 years?	VBA 1999	,		10		0.					
	VBA 1997										
140. How likely are you to retire within the next 2 years?	VBA 2001 VBA 1999	8 7	5 9	_	7	70		79%	4.27	1.30	5,585
	<b>VBA 1997</b>										

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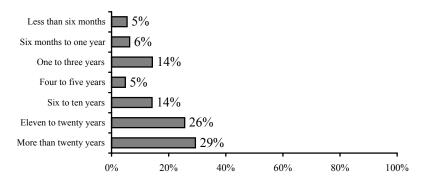
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141. How long have you been a **Federal Government** employee (excluding military service)?

5,582



#### 142. How long have you been with **VA**?

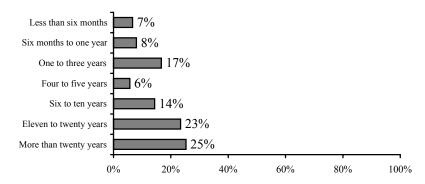


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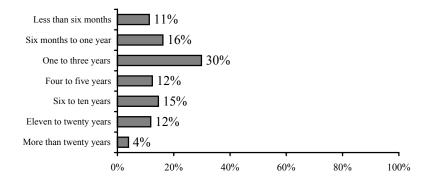
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143. How long have you been with your **present organization** (for example, VBA, NCA, BVA, or VACO Staff Office)?

5,550



144. How long have you been in your **present job** within the organization?

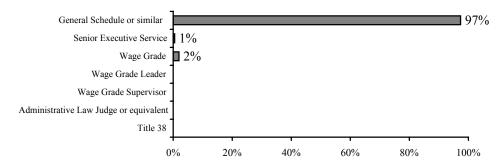


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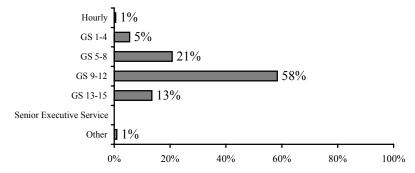
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#### 145. What is your pay category?

5,541



### 146. What is your pay grade?

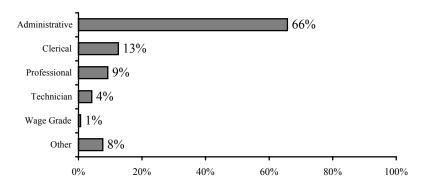


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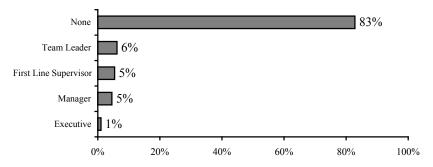
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147. What is your job category?

5,544



148. What is your level of supervisory responsibility?

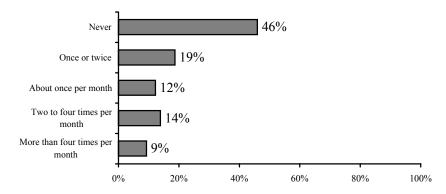


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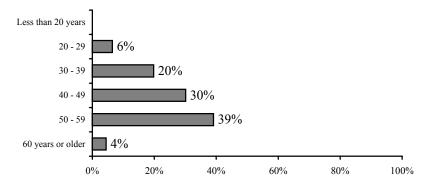
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149. How often did you work paid overtime during the last year?

5,547



150. What is your age?

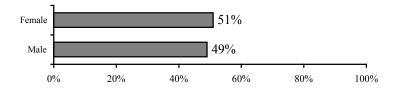


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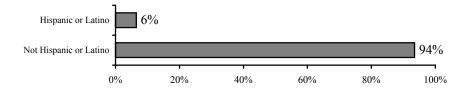
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151. What is your gender?

5,513



152. What is your ethnic origin?

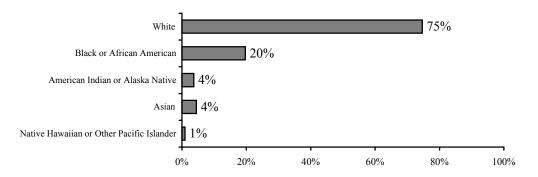


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153. What is your racial origin?\*

4,006



<sup>\*</sup> Because respondents could select more than one response, percents will not sum to 100.

#### 154. What is your veteran status?

